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## Top links

### Morse Code is back

Ham Radio tunes in to a new generation. (Possible paywall)

The Times

### No really, Morse Code is back

Spurred on by K-Pop bands who use it to leak hints about upcoming songs to fans.

Daily Mail

### Need a resistor? Thank Otis Boykin

Otis Boykin, an engineer and inventor who holds numerous patents for electrical components, including one for the wire precision resistor.

SparkFun

### FT8 on an original iMac G3

I would not recommend connecting a horribly insecure operating system like MacOS 9 to the internet these days.

KD9CPB

### Fox fined for using EAS Tone In football ad

The characteristic angry digital tones of the Emergency Alert System actually contain data encoded using the Specific Area Message Encoding protocol.

Hackaday

### To re-cap or not to re-cap

Curious Marc on the electrolytic controversy in Ham Radio.

SolderSmoke Daily News

### Did you know Bouvet Island is a POTA entity?

Bouvet Island is one of the rarest DX entities on the planet.

QRPer

### Avoid the loopy-ness of HF loops

The current ARRL Antenna Book mainly parrots the wisdom of "just use 450-ohm ladder line and you'll be fine."

K4FMH

## A directional antenna with just one straight wire – crazy?

Being called crazy is a compliment to my ears.

Ham Radio Outside the Box

## Video

### Ham Radio basics: Working split operation

Working split in Ham Radio is one of those little-discussed topics that new Hams might not know exists.

K0LWC

### Turn your patio umbrella into a 20 Meter Antenna

Greg takes us through the step-by-step process of building his antenna.

W1DED

### VarAC chat client for VARA HF [Windows only]

Here we take a look at the popular VarAC software that is the next step towards text chatting using RF Transceivers.

Tech Minds

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